

State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY
GOVERNOR

EARTH SCIENCE WEEK

2008

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are fundamental to the safety, health and welfare of North Carolinians and to the State's economy; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are integral to finding, developing and conserving the mineral, energy, and water resources needed for the continuing prosperity of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are critical to understanding and dealing with environmental and ecological issues ranging from water and air quality to waste disposal; and

WHEREAS, the importance of the earth sciences to future generations of North Carolinians is reflected in the requirement of Earth/Environmental Science course for graduation from North Carolina schools; and

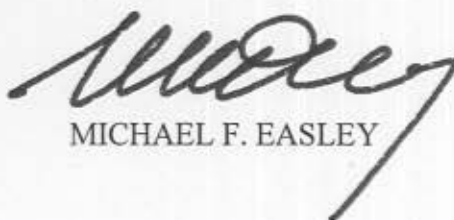
WHEREAS, North Carolina has many geological and other natural wonders to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, Earth Science Week gives students and citizens new opportunities to discover earth science and to encourage stewardship of the earth; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's Earth Science Week, "No Child Left Inside," will encourage young people and others to venture outdoors and experience earth science first hand;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 12-18, 2008, as "EARTH SCIENCE WEEK" in North Carolina and urge our citizens to commend this observance.




MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this first day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-third.